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Dear Dr. Wheeler:

We are delighted to write this letter of support for the Project Assist application. The Columbia Urban League has been in the forefront in highlighting the health hazards of tobacco products in both the 1988 and 1989 editions of THE STATE OF BLACK SOUTH CAROLINA: AN ACTION AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE.

Tobacco products are the leading cause of death among African Americans. Additionally, tobacco manufacturers have targeted the African American community through advertisement and sponsorship of various activities.

We are looking forward to working with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and the American Cancer Society in administering this most needed program.

Sincerely,

James T. McLawhorn, Jr.
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